

THE \$20K COOLMATH GAME JAM 2026 CONTEST OFFICIAL RULES

NO PURCHASE OR PAYMENT NECESSARY TO ENTER OR TO WIN. A PURCHASE WILL NOT IMPROVE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING. ALL FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL, AND MUNICIPAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS APPLY. VOID WHERE PROHIBITED.

1. ELIGIBILITY: The Coolmath Game Jam Contest (“Contest”) is open to individuals who are legal residents of the 50 United States and the District of Columbia who are at least thirteen (13) years of age. Entrants who are minors in their state of residency must have a parent or guardian consent to entry into this contest by providing an electronic signature at the time of entry. Employees of Coolmath.com LLC, 122 East 42nd Street, Suite 1611, New York, NY 10168 (“Sponsor”) and its parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, divisions, and advertising and promotion agencies (collectively “Sponsor Entities”), and their immediate families and household members are not eligible to enter or win. For purposes of this Contest, “immediate families” means parents, grandparents, children, grandchildren, and siblings.

2. TO ENTER: To enter the Contest, you must submit a video game relating to the theme, which will be announced on <https://itch.io/jam/coolmath-game-jam-2026> on May 4, 2025 and available thereafter (the “Submission”) following the Submission Guidelines and Restrictions below, along with your name, email address, age, and parent or guardian’s email address (if you’re a minor) using the Submission form at <https://itch.io/jam/coolmath-game-jam-2026> (each an “Entry”). Entries will only be accepted between May 4, 2026 at 9:00am PST and June 5, 2026 at 11:59pm PST (the “Promotion Period”). Only one (1) Entry per person. If a Submission was created by more than one person (a “Team”), the authors shall select one (1) individual to submit the Entry in his or her name on behalf of the Team and to receive any awarded Prize on behalf of the Team (the “Team Contact”), but all individuals in the Team, or their parent or guardian if a minor, must consent to entry of the Submission and agree to these Official Rules. Once an Entry has been submitted, Entrants will be able to alter, substitute, and/or create a new version of their Submissions to replace the previous build before the Promotion Period ends. Entrants will not be able to alter, substitute, and/or create a new version of their Submission once the Contest’s Promotion Period ends.

Entries that are lost, late, misdirected, illegible, incompletely received, or incomplete, for any reason, will not be eligible and are not the responsibility of the Sponsor. Proof of sending will not be deemed to be proof of receipt. All Entries become the property of the Sponsor. In the event of a dispute as to the owner of any Entry, the authorized account holder of the e-mail address used to register will be deemed to be the entrant and must comply with these Official Rules. The “authorized account holder” is the natural person assigned the e-mail address by the Sponsor. Each entrant may be required to show proof of being an authorized account holder.

Submission Guidelines and Restrictions:

Technical Guidelines:

- The submission must be hosted on itch.io;

- The Submission must be HTML5 and must be playable from a Google Chrome web browser with no download or third-party plugin required;
- The Submission must be 800x600 pixels or smaller; and
- If open source software is used, all proper attributions must be made as required by the open source licensor.

Permissions:

- If a Submission was created by a Team, all individuals in the Team must agree to submit the Submission to enter the Contest and abide by these Official Rules at the time of Entry. All individuals in the Team will be required to sign an Affidavit of Eligibility, Publicity and Liability Release and Prize Acceptance Form (except where prohibited by law) before any prize will be awarded.

Submission Content Restrictions:

- Submissions should use the theme, which will be announced on <https://itch.io/jam/coolmath-game-jam-2026> on May 4, 2025 and available thereafter;
- Submissions must be playable on a web browser;
- Submissions must be your original work and can't be published anywhere else;
- Submissions must not contain links to third-party websites;
- Submissions must not contain material that violates or infringes another's rights, including but not limited to privacy, publicity, or intellectual property rights, or that constitutes infringement;
- Submissions must be original work created by the entrant or the Team and must not contain content created by a third party, such as images or artwork, other than appropriately credited open-source software;
- Submissions must not contain brand names or trademarks;
- Submissions must not contain any confidential, proprietary, or trade secret information;
- Submissions must not disparage Sponsor or any other person or party affiliated with the Contest;
- Submissions must be in English language;
- Submissions previously submitted in other contests are not eligible for entry in this Contest;
- Submissions must not contain material that is inappropriate, indecent, obscene, hateful, tortuous, defamatory, offensive, slanderous, derogatory, or libelous;
- Submissions must comply with [itch.io Terms of Service](#);
- Submissions must be appropriate for a general audience and must not contain graphic violence or profanity;
- Submissions must not contain any form of AI-generated content;
- Submissions must not contain material that promotes bigotry, racism, hatred, or harm against any group or individual, or promotes discrimination based on race, gender, religion, nationality, disability, sexual orientation, or age; and
- Submissions must not contain material that is unlawful, in violation of, or contrary to the laws or regulations in any state where the Submission is created.

Sponsor reserves the right in its sole discretion to disqualify any Submission that violates

Content Restrictions or that otherwise does not comply with the requirements of these Official Rules. Sponsor reserves the right to remove entries that violate the Submission Guidelines and Restrictions or for which a valid DMCA notice or other infringement claim is received.

3. LICENSE: Each entrant represents and warrants that it is the author and owner of the Submission and has all rights in the Submission, and that Sponsor’s use of the Submission as contemplated in these Official Rules requires no additional permissions, including without limitation those relating to the copyright, patent, trademark/trade dress, rights of publicity or moral rights in the Submission. Submitting a Submission constitutes entrant’s consent to give Sponsor Entities a royalty-free, irrevocable, perpetual, non-exclusive, transferable license to use, reproduce, modify, publish, create derivative works from, and display such Submission in whole or in part, on a worldwide basis, and to incorporate it into other works, in any form, media, or technology now known or later developed, for promotional or marketing purposes, including but not limited to making the Submission available for game play. If requested, entrant will sign any documentation that may be required for Sponsor or its designees to make use of the non-exclusive rights entrant is granting to use the Submission. Each entrant also irrevocably waives any and all so-called moral rights they may have in the Submission. Each entrant further agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Sponsor Entities from and against any claims, lawsuits, liabilities or expenses (including attorney’s fees) arising out of or related to that entrant’s Submission or violation by entrant of these Official Rules.

4. PRIZES: The total prize pool for the Contest is \$20,000 USD (twenty thousand United States Dollars). Prizes will be awarded to the top three placements as follows:

Placement	Prize Amount (USD)
1st Place (Winner)	\$10,000
2nd Place	\$5,000
3rd Place	\$5,000

- The Prizes will be delivered only to verified winners. For Team Entries, the prize money will be awarded to the designated team leader, who will be solely responsible for distributing the funds among team members as per their internal agreement. The Contest Sponsor is not responsible for disputes among team members regarding prize distribution.
- All federal, state, and local taxes associated with the receipt or use of any Prize are solely the responsibility of the Winner. Any person winning \$600 or more worth of prizes from Sponsor in a calendar year will receive an IRS form 1099 after the end of the calendar year in which the prizes were awarded, and a copy of such form will be filed with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Where the recipient of a Prize is a minor in his or her state of residency, the Prize will be issued to the parent or guardian who electronically signed the entry form.
- There is no substitution for a Prize or any portion of a Prize, except Sponsor who reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to substitute a prize or portion of prize of comparable value. All Prize details are at Sponsor’s sole discretion. Incidental expenses and all other

costs and expenses which are not specifically listed as part of a Prize in these Official Rules and which may be associated with the award, acceptance, receipt, and use of all or any portion of the awarded Prize are solely the responsibility of the respective winners.

5. SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION OF WINNER:

Selection of Winners

On or around June 22, 2026, a panel of judges consisting of Sponsor's game team ("Judges") will select the First, Second, and Third place Winners ("Winners") based on the following criteria in equal parts: Use of Theme, Originality, Fun Factor, Learning Impact, and Polish & Presentation. In the event of a tie, Fun Factor will be used to determine the winner. All decisions of the Judges are final and binding on all entrants.

Notification of Winners

Winners will be notified on or after June 22, 2026 by e-mail. Within three (3) business days of notification being sent, Winners will be required to return a signed Affidavit of Eligibility, Publicity, and Liability Release and Prize Acceptance Form (except where prohibited by law), and IRS W-9 form ("Prize Documentation"). Where the Winner is a minor in their state of residency, the Winner's parent or guardian will be required to complete and submit the Prize Documentation. Winners must also provide the source code to Sponsor within three (3) business days of notification being sent. Failure of a Winner to provide Prize Documentation or source code within said time period, or any Prize notification that is returned as undeliverable, will result in said Winner's disqualification, the forfeiture of their interest in the Prize, and the selection of a substitute Winner to be selected based on the criteria above from all remaining eligible entries. Winners will be contacted using the e-mail address which was used to submit the Submission. If there is a dispute regarding the identity of an entrant, the Entry will be deemed submitted by the person in whose name the Entrant's email account submitted with the Entry is registered (for team Entries that will be the email address for the Team Contact).

Announcement of Winners

Once all Winners have been selected and have returned signed affidavits, the winning entries will be announced at <https://itch.io/jam/coolmath-game-jam-2026>.

6. APPLICABLE LAW AND JURISDICTION: This Contest is void where prohibited. This Contest is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Any dispute arising out of this Contest or the Prize shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York without regard to its choice law principles, and shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the state and federal courts in the State of New York. Entrants consent to the personal jurisdiction of said courts.

Except where prohibited by law, as a condition of participating in this Contest, entrant agrees that any and all disputes and causes of action arising out of or connected with this Contest, or prize awarded, shall be resolved individually, without resort to any form of class action. TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, EACH ENTRANT HEREBY WAIVES ALL RIGHTS TO CLAIM PUNITIVE, INCIDENTAL, AND CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND ANY OTHER DAMAGES, OTHER THAN FOR ACTUAL

OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES, AND ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO HAVE DAMAGES MULTIPLIED OR OTHERWISE INCREASED. SOME JURISDICTIONS DO NOT ALLOW THE LIMITATION OR EXCLUSION OF LIABILITY FOR INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES, SO THE ABOVE MAY NOT APPLY TO YOU.

7. WAIVERS AND RELEASES: By entering, entrants agree: (a) to be bound by these Official Rules and the decisions of Sponsor, which are final and binding; (b) to waive any right to claim ambiguity in the Contest or these Official Rules; (c) that they may be contacted in person, by phone, or by e-mail, with respect to the Contest; (d) that Sponsor, its parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, divisions, and advertising and promotion agencies, and their respective officers, directors, shareholders, and employees (collectively “Releasees”) are not responsible for lost, damaged, or misplaced entries, incorrect or inaccurate transcription of entry information, or for any human or other error, technical malfunction, lost/delayed data transmission, omission, interruption, deletion, defect, line failures of any telephone network, computer equipment, software, inability to access any online service or web site, or any other error or malfunction, or any injury or damage to entrant’s or any other person’s computer related to or resulting from participation in this Contest, or for any injury to person or property; and (e) that the Releasees will not be liable for losses or injuries of any kind resulting from acceptance/possession/use and/or misuse of the Prize, travel to and from any prize-related activity, participation in the Contest, or printing, mailing or distribution errors. Each Winner further acknowledges that Sponsor does not make any warranties, express or implied, relating to the Prize itself and that Sponsor expressly disclaims the implied warranties or merchantability and fitness for a particular use.

8. PUBLICITY: Unless prohibited by law, entry into the Contest constitutes permission for the Releasees to use that entrant’s name, address (city and state), picture, biographical information, statements, voice and likeness in any advertising and publicity Sponsor may conduct relating to the Contest in any media or format, whether now known or hereafter developed, including but not limited to the World Wide Web, at any time or times in perpetuity, without further compensation or notice, except where prohibited by law.

9. RIGHT TO VOID/TERMINATE/MODIFY: If for any reason the Contest is not capable of being executed as planned, or tampering, unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures or any other causes beyond the control of Sponsor corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity or proper conduct of this Contest, Sponsor reserves the right, at its sole discretion, to disqualify any suspect entry and to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the Contest, and/or award the Prizes from among all eligible, non-suspect entries received as of the date of the termination, as Sponsor determines in its sole discretion. Entries not complying with these Official Rules are subject to disqualification.

10. PERSONAL INFORMATION: Entrants agree that their personal data, including name and e-mail address, may be processed, stored and otherwise used for the purposes and within the context of this Contest and for any of the purposes set forth in the Sponsor’s Privacy Policy at www.coolmathgames.com/privacyp. By participating in this Contest, entrants are agreeing to Sponsor’s Privacy Policy. Without limiting the foregoing, such data may also be used by the Sponsor in order to contact the Winners, check an entrant’s identity and contact information, or

to otherwise verify an entrant's eligibility to participate in the Contest or to receive any prize. The personal information that Sponsor collects is stored and processed on servers in the United States. By participating in the Contest, entrants consent to the transfer of their personal information to the United States.

11. SEVERABILITY: If any provision(s) of these Official Rules are held to be invalid or unenforceable, all remaining provisions hereof will remain in full force and effect.

12. TO RECEIVE WINNERS LIST OR OFFICIAL RULES: To request the names of the Winners (available after July 12, 2026) or a copy of these Official Rules, e-mail your request to support@coolmath.com or mail your request, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Game Jam Administrator
Coolmath.com LLC
122 East 42nd Street, Suite 1611
New York, NY 10168

Requests for a copy of these Official Rules received more than thirty (30) days after the Promotion Period will not be honored.

13. SPONSOR: The Sponsor of this Contest is Coolmath.com LLC, 122 East 42nd Street, Suite 1611, New York, NY 10168